

**What is claimed is:**

1 1. A method for displaying and sharing digital images using an internet access appliance  
2 with internet telephony and image capture capability, comprising the steps of:

3 capturing digital images of an item being viewed by a sender;

4 downloading the digital images to the internet access appliance or directly to network  
5 storage through the appliance;

6 including the digital images with a first email addressed to a server and sending the  
7 first email;

8 parsing the first email at the server and posting the images to a web page where the  
9 images are stored;

10 selecting at least one set of individuals for whom targeted images are to be sent, each  
11 set including at least one individual;

12 sending a communication to the at least one selected set of individuals to notify of the  
13 images posted to the web page; and

14 while viewing the item, using the internet access appliance to establish a telephony  
15 connection with said at least one individual who converses with the sender and concurrently  
16 reviews the posted images.

1 2. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the images are accompanied by descriptions,  
2 and are included with the first email as attachments.

1 3. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the images are posted onto a web page with  
2 information imbedded into them, wherein the selected individuals visit the web page to view  
3 the images.

1 4. A method, according to claim 3, wherein clicking on the images initiates an internet  
2 phone call to the sender.

1 5. A method, according to claim 4, wherein an internet phone conference call is held  
2 between the sender and the selected individuals while simultaneously accessing web pages  
3 with images.

1 6. A method, according to claim 3, wherein clicking on the images initiates an email  
2 letter to the sender.

1 7. A method, according to claim 3, wherein clicking on the images initiates access to the  
2 sender's internet web page.

1 8. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the images that are of low to medium  
2 resolution can be downloaded for viewing across the internet.

1 9. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the images that are of high resolution are  
2 stored for making professionally-developed reprints.

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1 10. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the sender also uses the internet access  
2 appliance for conversing with said at least one individual.

1 11. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the sets of selected individuals comprise  
2 potential purchasers of real estate and wherein the digital images comprise images of real  
3 estate property.

12. A method for displaying and sharing digital images using an internet access appliance  
with telephony and image capture capability, comprising the steps of:

1 posting at least one digital image via a server to a web page where the at least one  
2 image is made available for viewing, the at least one digital image being a digital image of an  
3 item captured by a sender;

4 selecting at least one individual for whom the at least one image is to be made  
5 accessible for viewing;

6 notifying the at least one individual of the at least one image being posted to the web  
7 page; and

8 while viewing at least one image, using the internet access appliance to establish a  
9 telephony connection between said at least one individual and a second individual, where the  
10 at least one individual and the second individual concurrently review the at least one image at  
11 the web page.

1 13. The method of claim 12, further comprising:  
2 prior to posting the at least one digital image via the server to a web page,  
3 downloading the at least one digital image to the internet access appliance; and  
4 sending the at least one digital image to a server.

1 14. The method of claim 13, wherein downloading the at least one digital image to the  
2 internet access appliance includes downloading the at least one digital image directly to a  
3 network storage arrangement via the internet access appliance.

1 15. The method of claim 12, wherein the internet access appliance has internet telephony  
2 capability, wherein establishing a telephony connection between said at least one individual  
3 and a second individual includes establishing an internet telephony connection between the at  
4 least one individual and the second individual.

1 16. The method of claim 12, further comprising establishing access to the posted at least  
2 one digital image to a plurality of individuals, wherein any first one of the plurality of  
3 individuals is the selected at least one individual, and wherein any second one of the plurality  
4 of individuals is the second individual.

1 17. The method of claim 12, wherein the second individual is the sender.

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- 1 18. An arrangement for displaying and sharing digital images using an internet access  
2 appliance with internet telephony and image capture capability, comprising:
- 3 a means for capturing digital images of an item being viewed by a sender;
  - 4 a means for downloading the digital images to the internet access appliance or  
5 directly to network storage through the appliance;
  - 6 a means for including the digital images with a first email addressed to a server and  
7 sending the first email;
  - 8 a means for parsing the first email at the server and posting the images to a web page  
9 where the images are stored;
  - 10 a means for selecting at least one set of individuals for whom targeted images are to  
11 be sent, each set including at least one individual;
  - 12 a means for sending a communication to the at least one selected set of individuals to  
13 notify of the images posted to the web page; and
  - 14 a means for, while viewing the item, using the internet access appliance to establish a  
15 telephony connection with said at least one individual who converses with the sender and  
16 concurrently reviews the posted images.